



New Timber Harvesting Technologies Project

Help update the national skills standards to reflect new technologies being used in the timber harvesting sector.

Technology has always been a key driver of change in the forest industry. Do you work in the forest harvesting sector? We invite your feedback about the skills needed to work with new harvesting technologies. Your feedback will help in the development of existing or new units or skill sets.

Why is this project happening?

Sophisticated new technologies are improving productivity, environmental sustainability and safety in the forest industry. As a result many job roles require higher levels of technical and digital skills than before. It's important these developments are reflected in nationally endorsed qualifications and skills standards to ensure industry can keep up with high demand for timber, a competitive market, and regulatory requirements.

This project will review and develop nationally endorsed units of competency for the forest management and harvesting sectors related to environmental practices, geospatial data management for forest assessment and tree inventory, and forestry operations.

This project is being managed in partnership with ForestWorks, under the direction of the Forest Management and Harvesting Industry Reference Committee.



Key dates*

January-February 2020

Draft skill standards available for feedback on the Skills Impact website. Free consultation workshops will also take place.

March 2020

The redrafted documents will be available for comment and validation.

June 2020

Final drafts submitted to the Australian Industry and Skills Committee for endorsement.

**Please check website for updates*

Want to be involved in defining the skills standards for this sector?

You have the opportunity to play a key role in defining the skills standards of job roles in timber harvesting, supporting future learners and industry as a whole.

Visit skillsimpact.com.au to:

- Provide input on the project so far
- Register for any upcoming events
- Sign up for newsletter updates

Please feel welcome to contact the project manager, Georgiana, on 03 9321 3500 or gdaian@forestworks.com.au.

We also welcome feedback about current gaps in training and future trends for industry as a whole.

We are passionate about workforce development and the need for industry to have their say in the skills standards of their workforce. We know from our work that a competent employee is a more knowledgeable, confident, safe and productive

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